

WILL IMPROVE
DEPOT GROUNDSLAWN AND SHRUBBERY TO RE-
PLACE REFUSE.

UPTOWN STATION SEES CHANGES

Civic Improvement Club of This City
Responsible for Much-Needed Im-
provement—Plans Drawn by J. A.
Gilbertson Accepted.

The long-wished-for improvement about the grounds at the uptown depot is about to be made and the unsightly piles of rock and rubbish are even now being changed about and removed preparatory to the parking of the grounds according to the best improved methods of landscape gardening. The plans contemplate the improvement of the entire strip of ground, extending from the turntable to Spring street. When completed the grounds will present the appearance of a city park and will be a great improvement over the present unsightly and barren waste.

That the improvement is being made is due to the untiring efforts of the Ladies' Civic Improvement Club of this city. For over a year the ladies have been working with the railroad officials in behalf of this much-needed improvement. Last fall a number of prominent officials of the company came to Ashland and made a trip of inspection with a committee of ladies, the result of which was the assurance that the matter would receive the proper attention at once. The customary red tape of the big corporations has been gone through, the matter having passed through 16 offices to date, and the decision of the company to make the improvement is evidenced in the work that is being done now. A crew of men began last Monday and are making rapid progress.

At the request of the club, J. A. Gilbertson drew up the plans for the parking of the grounds, which plans have been accepted. They call for parking of the slope to the east of the tracks, from the south line to Spring street. Shrubs and flowers will be planted here and the entire tract seeded down. About the round table vines will be trailed against a wall of boulders, and the same scheme will be followed out on the bank west of the track along Water street. The level area west of the track will be sowed to lawn grass and planted to shrubs. Gravel paths will be provided through the lawns. A cement walk will be built from the present temporary depot to Spring street.

WILL NOT REPLY.

American Woolen Company Ignores
Recent Report to Senate.

Boston.—The American Woolen Company will not reply to the report sent to the senate by the federal bureau of labor on its investigation of labor conditions in the textile mills of Lawrence, Mass., where industrial workers of the world scored a signal victory and got higher wages for the 30,000 mill operatives after a sensational ten weeks' strike.

"The report made no recommendations," said one of the officers of the trust, "and there is nothing to do about it. It is a closed incident."

The American Woolen Company owns the largest mills in New England, and is the controlling factor in the woolen industry of the east.

Cliff Payne makes cozy corners.

FOUNTAIN OF GRANITE

Splendid Specimen of Ashland Product
Is Used in Combination Elec-
trolier and Drinking Fountain

One of the most perfect specimens of granite ever seen in this country has been used in the construction of the combination electrolier and drinking fountain being erected on the corner in front of the Citizens' bank. The entire product comes from the quarries of the Penniston Granite Company and the electrolier, when completed, will form one of the most imposing monuments to the prowess of the local granite that is to be found in the city. It is being constructed at considerable expense by the Citizens' bank.

The pillar is two feet square at the base and tapers to about ten inches by successive blocks of rough granite. At a convenient height from the ground, a polished slab of perfect granite eight inches thick protrudes from the pillar, on either side of which is provided a bubbling fountain. At the summit of the pillar is placed a high-power electric light, completing the creation of an imposing electrolier.

The quality of Ashland granite has never been questioned and this example of its perfection is but one of a number that may be found in different parts of the city. The stone is to be found here in unlimited quantities and only lacks the capital to properly put it on the market. It is an industry that should be developed.

Roseburg people are up in arms because of the action of the Southern Pacific in discharging fifteen white engine wipers and filling their places with Japanese.

TRAVELER GETS 60 DAYS.

Stole Suitcase at Depot and Then Got
Caught.

Walter Gates won't have to work for the next 60 days. He has been awarded free board and lodging at the county jail until September 8 for the theft of a suitcase. And it seemed so easy, too, for no one was looking when he picked up the suitcase and he was able to elude all guardians of the law until he made the fatal mistake of going back to the place where his prize was hidden.

A. L. Maule and Gates were both passengers on the No. 15 southbound last Sunday. Mr. Maule was on his way from Portland to Los Angeles. He got off at the station here and set his suitcase down while he strolled about the grounds. Gates picked it up when no one was looking and proceeded southward along the track. As he passed an orchard some distance from the depot a small boy in a cherry tree was stuck with the unusual spectacle of a hobo carrying a suitcase and greeted the pedestrian with a yell. Gates was apparently confused and kept looking backward as he proceeded up the track. This was his undoing, for the boy reported his suspicions to the police and a search was begun.

The suitcase was found in the brush below the Mountain avenue septic tank but no trace of the thief could be found. Soon after, however, two men were seen proceeding from the depot in the direction of the hiding place and Chief Oien followed at a safe distance, coming upon the men at the identical spot where the cache had been made. Gates had taken several articles from the suitcase and intended to present his friend with a pair of trousers. The latter, however, escaped the law by the mere fact that he was taken before he had anything in his possession. Mr. Gates won't need the suitcase for the next sixty days.

VENDOME IS SELECTED

Vice-President Ingram of the Poly-
technic School Spends Two Days
in Ashland This Week.

Vice-President Ingram of the Oakland Polytechnic College arrived in Ashland Tuesday, and yesterday he made a further examination of the various sites available for the branch which is planned to institute here, including the normal property, the Vendome, Elks rooms, Hogley block, Allen-McNair rooms, etc. Mr. Ingram states that the location of the school here is simply contingent upon the disposal of the 100 scholarships, and he takes it for granted that these terms will be complied with in the near future. In fact, the management of the Oakland college has gone ahead and ordered various requisites for the school's equipment, with the expectation that the branch here will be opened up ready for business early in September. Mr. Ingram's stay here was necessarily brief, and he left Wednesday afternoon to join his family, who are enjoying a vacation at Shasta Retreat.

During the last few hours of his stay here, Prof. Ingram met Mr. Conklin of Grants Pass, the owner of the Vendome property, opposite the new public library, with the result that this building has been secured for the new school, and arrangements to this end will be made accordingly. In the meantime a lot of advertising matter will be at once placed in circulation setting forth the advantages which this new educational institution has to offer, and preliminaries regarding the placing of the scholarships will be pushed with renewed vigor.

A rearrangement of rooms in the Vendome will be made, and for the present an office on the ground floor of that building will be established to be used as a bureau of general information concerning the school, with Professor Van Scoy in charge.

Ashland Boy Shot.

Louis Farleigh, an Ashland boy who is camping with his parents on the beach at Bandon, Ore., was accidentally shot through the leg by a boy companion last Sunday while the boys were cleaning their guns after a hunting trip. They had been out shooting squirrels and when back in camp they were taking the gun apart when it was accidentally discharged, the ball passing through a hospital and given medical treatment. The wound is not serious unless complications set in and he will suffer but little inconvenience. The rifle was only a .22 calibre. Farleigh is only 15 years old and a member of the eighth A grade of the Ashland schools.

Parent-Teacher Program.

The Parent-Teacher Association will hold an interesting program in the Chautauqua building at 10:30 a. m., for which no admittance will be charged. An excellent musical program with orchestra has been provided. Among the speakers will be Dr. Mattie B. Shaw, who will address mothers on "The Nervous Structure of the Child," and will be replete with medical facts that it would be well for every young mother, every grandmother and every teacher to know.

Suits dry or steam cleaned at Orres' Tailoring Shop for \$1.00.

Chicken dinner at the Park Hotel Sunday. 35 cents. Home cooking.

LECTURERS DELIGHT BIG AUDIENCES

RUSSELL AND SADLER SPEAK ON PROBLEMS OF THE DAY—BYRON'S
TROUBADOURS HAVE LARGEST HOUSE OF THE SESSION

Charles Edward Russell, one of the foremost sociological writers of the age, author of a large number of magazine articles dealing with the social problems of the day, gave his lecture on "Soldiers of the Common Good" to a well-filled house last Friday evening. Mr. Russell is a convincing speaker, preaching a sound doctrine that is full of solid facts and equally as full of hints for the betterment of his fellowman.

In his address, Mr. Russell pictured the horrors of the lives of thousands of men and women in the crowded portions of London and other English cities, who live at the starvation line. He dwelt upon the conditions in the national life of England that make these circumstances possible, drawing the appalling picture of the starved wretches in the very midst of wealth and opulence, born without hope, living without hope and dying without hope. He cited as a fitting climax to the policy of Great Britain in dealing with this problem, the fact that at the time of the South African war England was unable to raise an army at home because of the frightful condition of her poor.

Bringing the scene to our own country, Mr. Russell pointed out that the United States is fast following in the footsteps of England, with her poor increasing in larger proportion than her population. He lamented the large expenditure for naval armament in the face of these facts when so much good could be accomplished with the same amount of money expended in behalf of the suffering poor. The increase of sentiment in favor of the workingman, the growth of the movement in behalf of the fallen brother, were cited as the hopeful side of the problem, the latter part of the lecture presenting less of the sordid features of the situation.

Mr. Russell had the attention of his hearers throughout the long discourse and was frequently applauded. His own wide experience as a reporter has given him the knowledge that he presents first handed in his lecture.

The lecture of Judge Frank P. Sadler of Chicago Tuesday evening was graphic in its delineation of the evils of city life that tend to pull down the men and women who come within its influence. Judge Sadler has been a judge in the municipal court of Chicago for several years, having presided over the criminal branches of Harrison and Desplaines streets. He has had the opportunity to study men and women of every nationality and degree of morality and knows his subject thoroughly. "The Criminal in the Making" was the subject of his lecture and was listened to by a large audience. Mr. Sadler dealt with the disorderly saloon and its influence on the lives of those on whom it preys, depicting the scenes enacted within its doors and

showing the schemes and devices used by its frequenters to part the unsuspecting girl from her virtue or the unsophisticated visitor to the city from his money.

In referring to the hobo problem, Judge Sadler stated that the hobo resembles the millionaire in that he has a summer and a winter home, the latter being in the large cities, where he takes advantage of the five and ten cent lodging house. From this place he emerges in the spring and starts for the country, carrying with him the germs of disease and filth, and the one who feeds him at the door runs the risk of taking some disease from him. The judge condemned the practice of feeding the hobo, stating that such a practice encourages the nuisance.

Judge Sadler is actuated in all his work by an interest in the welfare of his fellowman, an interest that makes possible the forcible presentation of his message.

Byron's Troubadours were honored with the largest audience of the session thus far, the building being full and extra seats being demanded. They gave a popular entertainment that met with hearty response from the audience, encore after encore being given. The saxophone work was perhaps the most popular, while the harpist was heartily received, as were also others of the company. Programs this afternoon and evening will be given by this company. They are well worth hearing.

Class work continues to receive liberal patronage. Dr. Wilkinson has been holding his Bible work in the G. A. R. hall and has had a room full nearly every day. Yesterday he discussed the functions of the four gospels and today the class is considering the book of Philomel. Tomorrow Dr. Wilkinson will give a general talk on Bible literature.

Every other class is receiving its proportionate amount of patronage. Prof. Gilbert's work in economics being greatly appreciated, as is also the work of Prof. Berchold in literature. Round table discussions have been lively. The hour of meeting of this class is 4:30.

Tomorrow is the closing day. Bronte, the intellectual dog, is the attraction for the afternoon, while the circus given by Prof. Larimore's class is the attraction of the evening. This is children's day, both numbers being especially intended for the youngsters of ages from 4 to 14. Young and old will find the entertainment worth while.

In the way of preludes, Prof. Dick Posey has delighted Chautauquans with his readings of original poems. Prof. Posey is a local genius whose work has not heretofore been discovered. He has shown rare ability as an interpreter and impersonator. Pedersen's orchestra has also been well received.

W. C. T. U. DAY PRONOUNCED A GREAT SUCCESS

Mrs. Florence Atkins Delivers Impressive Address to Large
Audience—Suffrage Finds Prominent Place in Discussions

W. C. T. U. day at Chautauqua was a great success. It began with the morning program in the grove, with the discussion of initiative measure No. 1, presented by Mrs. Unruh and discussed by many.

The afternoon address by Mrs. Florence Atkins was a most surprisingly eloquent one, as Mrs. Atkins arrived at noon from a continuous trip of eight days and nights, the journey being made much more wearisome by the washouts and two narrow escapes from wreck.

Mrs. Atkins is a typical southern woman with a pronounced southern accent, petite and attractive. Her snowy hair sits like a crown above an earnest face and intellectual brow. She took for her topic "The Vital Question" and discussed prohibition as the only remedy for the evils of the rum traffic. Pathos and humor, fact and argument and convincing logic followed each other in rapid flow, holding the audience in earnest thoughtfulness, broken by frequent and enthusiastic applause, for an hour and a half. She is pronounced by those who heard Mrs. Armer two years ago as quite the equal of that marvelous speaker.

Miss Gilbert sang "If I Were a Voice," and was loudly applauded.

The round table that followed was presided over by Mrs. Ada Wallace Unruh, state president of the W. C. T. U. Mrs. Unruh introduced the topic and called on Mrs. Dr. Shaw, Congressman Reeder, Professor Briscoe and Rev. Holmes to speak. Each responded in arguments for the enfranchisement of women. Mrs. Atkins was introduced again and proved her mastery of this subject as well as that of temperance reform. Mesdames Poor and Wolfe sang most charmingly.

The morning program in the grove Wednesday dealt with the same all-absorbing and important topic of equal suffrage and was rendered more interesting by the presence of many members of the Medford Equal Suffrage League with Mrs. Reddy, its president. Mrs. Reddy addressed this meeting, as did also Mrs. Edmunds, secretary of the Ashland W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Unruh in answering objections to the enfranchisement of women and the questions of the anti showed herself most thoroughly informed, and presented the facts in such attractive and eloquent manner that she has been invited by the suffragists to return to this part of the state for a series of addresses.

Mrs. Grace Holmes, county president, has proven herself a host in the careful planning for and care of these meetings. The beautiful decorations on W. C. T. U. days were placed by herself and husband, assisted by Miss Howell of Medford.

BOOST CONGRESS.

Yreka Man in Ashland in Interest of
Meeting.

C. L. Proebstel, secretary and general publicity agent for the coming session of the Southern Oregon and Northern California Mining Congress, was a recent visitor in Ashland. Mr. Proebstel states that Yreka, where the congress meets on the 19th and 20th of the present month, is making great plans for the entertainment of the visitors. The new building which is being erected for the meeting is practically completed, and a photograph which Mr. Proebstel has of it proves that it is a structure of spacious capacity and imposing architecture. It will be initiated by the congress, but will be maintained in the city for future meetings of whatever character may come.

Mrs. Helman Buried.

The funeral services of Aunt Sue Helman were held from the Methodist church at 10 o'clock this morning. A large number of friends attended to pay their last respects to a much-loved friend. Rev. L. C. Poor of the Methodist church had charge of the services, which were of a quiet nature. The life of Aunt Sue was touched upon as an example for her friends to follow, her devotion to everything that is good being emphasized. Interment was made in Ashland cemetery.

PRAISE HILLAH TEMPLE.

Philadelphian Writes of Reception
Given in Ashland.

Nobles of Lu Lu Temple in Philadelphia evidently enjoyed the reception given them by the Ashland Shriners during their short stay here on May 13. In a neatly gotten up booklet describing their return trip from Los Angeles to Philadelphia, Noble Ed D. Rose has the following to say regarding their stop here:

"In the afternoon of May 13, at Ashland, Ore., we made a short stop, where nobles of Hillah Temple gave us hearty greetings, postcards and a couple of boxes of mineral water. This temple has the unique distinction of being located in a town containing the smallest number of inhabitants of any temple in Shrinedom, their membership at the present time being 215, amidst a population of 5,020. What they lack in membership they made up in enthusiasm."

"Our band rendered a number of selections at the station for their edification and were roundly applauded. Hillah Temple, we salute and thank you kindly for your many brotherly attentions and gifts."

Extra Fine Cherries.

Among varieties of choice fruit recently left at the exhibit building are samples of the finest Royal Anne cherries from E. B. Hunt of the Cove fruit ranch; Bings from Mrs. J. Zeigler, Almond street; Black Tartarians and Royal Annes from T. W. Hudson, on Woolen street.

H. H. Leavitt, residing on Chestnut street, has had a tree of prize Royal Annes that is a sight to behold, but the palm for prodigious yield evidently belongs to a tree in the Cherry Crest orchard of J. H. Morse, on Walnut street, which furnished 712 pounds of fruit by actual weight, the first picking having yielded 300 pounds and the last 412 pounds. The first portion of the crop netted the owner 7 cents per pound.

ASHLAND CARS WIN

Edwards in Ford Captures Two
Firsts and Saviers in Rambler
Two Seconds in Medford Races.

Ashland cars carried off two-thirds of the prizes offered in the automobile races in Medford last week. A. J. Edwards, driving Fuller's Ford, taking first in two events and W. J. Saviers, in his reconstructed Rambler, capturing two seconds.

For more than 40 laps in a 45-lap race, 3,000 people Thursday afternoon witnessed the prettiest automobile race, with two cars less than 5 seconds apart, ever seen in southern Oregon. Then a rear tire blew out and A. J. Edwards in a Ford romped home winner, making 50 miles in 52.44. W. J. Saviers in a 1907 Rambler was the man who crowded Edwards for 40 laps and fell to second place at the finish when a tire blew up. But the crowd had their money's worth as lap after lap passed with the cars holding their own.

While Edwards won the race by driving splendidly throughout and using his head, premier honors go to Saviers, who had a car which had been sent into the junk heap last year. Saviers' time on 40 laps did not vary two seconds. He knew what he could do and did it. He took the curves in a masterly manner and never failed to make his time. His engine got hot and his radiator went dry, but on and on he rolled, fighting gamely to hold his place until he lost a tire. Then a quick change was made and he got back in time to win second place.

Elmer Cox in a Locomobile won first place in Friday's race, making 30 laps in 41.10. J. W. Saviers was second in 50.00 and J. W. Keyes in a Chalmers third in 52.30. Offut in an Overland and Edwards in a Ford did not finish, meeting with accidents.

Driving an excellent race, A. J. Edwards in a Ford won the 60-mile free-for-all Saturday afternoon. Elmer Cox in a Locomobile was second and J. W. Keyes in a Chalmers third. The winning time was 1:16, Cox 1:21.30, Keyes 1:23.45. Three other entries, Offut in an Overland, Saviers in a Rambler and Mark in an Oldsmobile, did not finish.

The race was the prettiest as well as the final one of the meet. There were thrills to spare and the large crowd shrieked its approbation time and again as two cars would put up a close race on a curve.

Saviers again won praise by his heady and nervy driving, it being generally conceded that had he been driving a reliable car he would have won easily. As it was he stayed in the race longer than a less determined driver would have, in spite of the most overwhelming odds.

Just to keep up Ashland's reputation, after the Rambler went to the bad, Monte Briggs piled out of the grandstand and peeled his coat and borrowed a machine and got into the motorcycle races. Without trying the track or machine and after being out of the game for a year, he finished second in a ten-mile race with the handle bars of his machine loose.

Money to loan on improved ranches, first mortgages; mixed farms preferred. W. D. Hodgson, Ashland, Phone 427-J.

From the Columbia river district during the past month there was shipped to foreign ports nearly 28,000,000 feet of lumber, and amount unequaled during a similar period from this or any other single port in the world.

ATTORNEY SEES
ADVANTAGESADVISES ESTABLISHMENT OF
GIRLS' SCHOOL HERE.

SUGGESTION WORTH ACTING ON

A. R. Kanaga of San Francisco
Writes the Tidings Regarding Op-
portunities for Educational Insti-
tution in Old Normal Buildings.

The Tidings is in receipt of a communication from A. R. Kanaga of San Francisco, which we print below and which is self-explanatory. The suggestion offered in this communication is worth acting upon. The normal buildings have been idle too long already and some sort of institution should be established there at once. The letter follows:

San Francisco, Cal., July 8, 1912.
Editor Tidings: In July, 1911, as attorneys for two eastern ladies I visited Ashland for the purpose of securing a lease or making a purchase of the state normal school buildings with the object of opening a modern school for girls in your city.

Some complications arose which made it impossible to then get control of the old college buildings and my two women clients returned shortly after to their home in the east.

Having seen your normal school buildings and looked over your town when I was there one year ago, it has suggested to me the propriety of sending this letter to the Tidings and calling attention to the fact that Ashland has the best facility for starting a school for girls of any town or city in Oregon. You have the elegant climate, the position, the Chautauqua assembly, no saloons, a city full of young ladies, almost equidistant from both San Francisco and Portland.

I have visited Ashland nearly every year since 1890 and it has always impressed me as one of the very best places in the west for a girls' seminary. By way of illustration, let them model the Ashland school after the Miss Harker School for Girls at Palo Alto, California. This seminary for girls is only eleven years old, yet it ranks above every girls' school in our state, and here are some of the reasons for it:

In addition to a girl being educated in the usual academic studies, she is given lectures in deportment, beauty of a pure life, obedience to parents, respect for authority, reverence for old age. From one to two hours each day in open-air athletic exercises. Every girl must dress neat but plain, mostly a shirt waist and skirt; not a particle of jewelry unless it be a pin or bracelet and plain, ordinary ring. No costly dresses, no costly hats. This is done so that rich girls can make no better showing than a poor one. Now a similar school run on these lines would soon be just as well known as the Harker School for Girls at Palo Alto, and girls would attend these from all parts of the west and Pacific coast. The line of work would appeal to every father and mother who had girls to educate.

I started out to write this letter six months ago but never got at it until today, and I now hope that something will be done on the lines I named herein, for in my estimation it is the most valuable asset at your command to the end that Ashland may come into its own. Less could not be said. More need not be.

Very respectfully,
A. R. KANAGA.

BOURNE GETS \$100,000

Crater Lake Schedule for Appropriation
in Civil Sundry Bill—Senator
Hopeful of Securing Passage.

Under date of July 9, Senator Bourne wired to local newspapers to the effect that at his request the subcommittee on appropriations had inserted in the civil sundry bill an appropriation for \$100,000 for Crater Lake national park. The message states: "I am confident that the full committee and the senate will concur in the action of the subcommittee."

Senator Bourne introduced the bill calling for \$100,000 a year for seven years for the improvement of Crater Lake park last winter and secured its passage by the senate. The bill was favorably reported by the house committee, but was stricken out by the house, which struck out all park appropriations in excess of those already made.

Congressman Hawley offered an amendment calling for \$150,000 for the park, but it also met defeat. The sundry civil bill was vetoed by President Taft and sent back to be redrawn and passed.

After its passage by the senate the house must also act upon it, and the danger to the appropriation lies there.

Every person acquainted with congressmen or senators should wire at once to them to assist in the bill's passage.

The newly organized Falls City Potato Growers' Association is the first and only organization of its kind in Polk county, and promises to become an important factor in finding a cash market for potatoes.